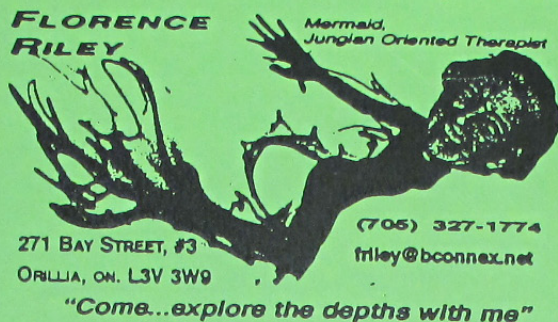


Co-editor Pauline, continued:

FLORENCE RILEY'S Christmas card included a business card which she calls a "birthday spoof". Thought you might get a laugh out of it, too.



JOAN FAWCETT EVANS said some nice things in her card. Let me quote her final paragraph.. "I am so glad I got to the Reunion -- what wonderful threads to pick up --and regret being so lax in the past.(New Year's Resolution Joan?).Remember me to all the girls especially to the ones who were there. I enjoyed their company. Thank you also for your note about "Gwyneth".(Incidentally, I called Joan last January to see if the forest fires then were affecting her...she thanked me for the concern, but said that they managed okay and she praised the water-bombing helicopters, etc.

In the first week of October, RUTH "SCOTTY" PROPHET came to Toronto from Port Colborne by bus and we left in my car for Minden (in the Haliburton area, a two hour drive north of Toronto.) to visit Amanda (Scotty's daughter) and Peter Rigby. They purchased a large, four storey home in that town's riverside, and have both been busy remodelling three floors on their own, demonstrating their respective talents in home improvements. I knew Mandy about 25 years ago when she worked in our Welcome Wagon Office, and have kept in touch over the years. Mandy served a delicious lunch, and they both provided us with a tour of their home and their property... it's all SO beautiful! Then back to Toronto. Scotty stayed overnight with me and then by noon next day, we set out for downtown, Scotty to the bus depot and myself to my weekly Rotary Meeting at The (Fairmont) Royal York Hotel (location of our "60 minus 1 Reunion".) What a nice time Scotty and I had reliving that re-union and of course re-living our MES experiences. At Christmas "Scotty" wrote a nice note on her card, informing us that from "Jan. 7th to April 2nd" she would be in Florida and could be reached at F8-5000 North Ocean Blvd., Brijuni Breezes, USA 33435. She is urging me to come to visit her, but as I had two big trips in 2002 (Northern Ireland to visit my husband's families) and the two weeks "out west" already referred to. I'm just not ready to travel again so soon, it seems!

Scotty's daughter Mandy, wrote on her Christmas card "Everyday is like Christmas in heavenly Haliburton." When she wrote that, Toronto was very green. Today (Jan. 3rd) as I write we are approaching the 10 centimeters of the "white stuff" they promised us. Wish they weren't so accurate. One day during the "green period", I remarked to a fellow tenant on the elevator that the skiers would not be happy with our weather. He didn't take long to respond..."let them go north", he said. This week they don't need to!

Sincerely and affectionately,

*Pauline*



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HAPPY NEW YEAR 2003

Dear Friends:

I 'm still grieving that I didn't make it to the 60 MINUS 1 REUNION. However thanks to the letters plus pictures from Florence of the occasion I could tell what I had missed.

There is little news to report of our family since the last letter except that we now have two great grandchildren - the latest being a boy. One of my friends asked if it was more surprising to have great grandchildren or that my son Sandy was a grandfather. Although I hadn't thought of it I didn't hesitate to reply ... a child a grandfather was the most shocking .

Last year was overwhelming at times. My apologies to all that I owe a letter -- I plan remedial action as soon as possible. A quote from Joan's letter sent when she returned to N.S.W. : "So much has happened to us all over the years, and many of us seem to have had large families".. applies to me. The stories we could tell !! Another quote from Joan's Letter --- "Thank you so much for your card & the album of old photos. You could not have thought of anything I would appreciate more especially as all my photos of MES lie at the bottom of the ocean" That story of Joan's could make a book ! Enclosed in her letter was a snap taken on her 80th Birthday, last year, with her youngest daughter & youngest grandchild. See below.



January 05, 2003

Jean King Morrison



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